VICTORIA SAANICH CITIZENS' ASSEMBLY

Meeting of the Advisory & Oversight Group
Victoria-Saanich Citizens' Assembly
13 May 2024, 6-7pm PT

AGENDA

1. Welcome & Introductions
2. About the Citizens' Assembly
    - Project updates & timelines
3. Roles of the Advisory & Oversight Committee
    - Program development
    - Member recourse
    - Service pledge
4. Next Steps
    - Communications
    - Next meeting: Monday, August 12, 2024, 6-7pm PT

ATTENDEES

Name	Affiliation	Present	Regrets
*ADVISORY & OVERSIGHT GROUP**			
Paul Hames	Vice Chair of Federated Coop Ltd, and former Chief Constable, Central Saanich	✅	
Evert Lundqvist	Professor, University of Victoria School of Public Administration	✅	
Warren Magnusson	Professor Emeritus, University of Victoria Political Science	✅	
Marjan Ehsassi	Executive Director, FIDE, and Democracy Fellow, Berggruen Institute		❌

** two additional members of the AOG have yet to be confirmed*

VSCA PROJECT TEAM			
Peter MacLeod	Assembly Chair	✅	
Chris Ellis	Project Director		❌
Richard Johnson	Lead Facilitator	✅	

ACTION ITEMS

1. AOG members will review presentation and materials about the assembly and follow up with questions or concerns as needed
2. Assembly team to review AOG member suggestions for potential speakers/presenters on
    a. Amalgamation processes and considerations
    b. Area small businesses and non-profits and the potential impact of amalgamation on these sectors vs status quo
    c. The roles and responsibilities of the CRD
    d. Emergency services especially re the Victoria-Esquimalt police service integration and future
3. Assembly team to review AOG member suggestions around municipal amalgamations in other jurisdictions, including but not limited to Halifax and Kamloops
4. Assembly team urged to consider how to set expectations for members around the amalgamation technical study, what it can and can't do
5. AOG members will continue to brainstorm and suggest potential program items and speaker candidates around key learning areas: municipal governances and administration, emergency services, other municipal services, municipal-provincial relations, with a goal of continuing the conversation at the next meeting of the group